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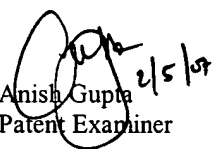
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The reply filed on 11-13-06 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): In the restriction requirement, Applicants were requested to elect a single disclosed species of "specific glycol moiety." In their response, while Applicants elected a specific protein, Applicants elected polyethylene glycol as the glycol moiety. This election did not qualify as a "specific glycol moiety" but constituted an election to a genus. Note that claim 5 recites linear dihydroxy PEGs, hydroxyPEG-mono acetyl and hydroxyl PEG monoacids and claim 21 recite monohydroxyPEG-acid and dihydroxyPEG-lysine. All of the claimed PEG's are subgenerics of the genus polyethylene glycol. Applicants are requested to elect a single disclosed polyethylene glycol moiety, that specifically defined and has a specific molecular weight. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anish Gupta whose telephone number is (571)272-0965. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cecilia Tsang, can normally be reached on (571) 272-0562. The fax phone number of this group is (571)-273-8300.


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